

Untidy Women.

If a man is asked what kind of a woman it is that he most dislikes, he will probably answer that it is the slovenly woman. Unfortunately, many women who would be horrified if their husbands came down to breakfast in an unshaved, unwashed and collarless condition, think nothing of appearing at that meal with their hair in curl-papers and clad in an unsightly tenn-gown. More often than not, laziness is at the root of a woman's neglect to arrange her hair and put on a short and tidy skirt and a clean shirt-waist. Five minutes less of sleep is surely all that is necessary to enable her to make herself neat for the morning meal. Her husband would then carry away with him a pleasant and inspiring picture of a dainty woman, instead of a slovenly, tousled creature, who, by her own carelessness and laziness, must inevitably weaken, even if she does not altogether destroy, the affection and respect of her husband. Many women think they must be dirty and untidy when doing housework—a very foolish mistake. A woman, if she has any innate refinement, says the New York Weekly, will do her work and look as neat as a new pin throughout. She will coil her hair neatly and cover it from dust with a mop-cap made of any cheap washing-material. Her short skirt and neat shirt-waist will be businesslike and allow freedom and quickness of movement. Then for doing dirty work, a garment of dark print should be slipped on, to be changed for a light one when cooking. In such a dress she will look as neat and dainty as anyone could wish, and her work will be better done, too, than if she wore soiled clothes.

From Rome comes the odd romance of a convict in the penal settlement on the island of Lampadusa, near Sicily, who has just been set free, nearly three years before his term for larceny expired, to enter into the enjoyment of the great fortune which he had inherited last spring from his aunt, besides a villa on the lake of Como and a city flat filled with costly and beautiful works of art. It was no doubt felt that it would be easy for him to be good with all the money he needed, and that he would be better off than in jail. He promptly married a widow whom he had engaged as housekeeper and they spent their honeymoon at the convict settlement at Lampadusa. While a prisoner he had found the lack of any way of telling time a great trial, and he presented to his late companions a handsome clock to be placed in a tower where it can be heard striking the long hours.

There is a very strict law against any British officer accepting any gift from a native prince in India. Even when a doctor may have performed some serious operation upon a rajah, who, being grateful, wishes to give—exclusive of a money fee varying from £200 to £1,000, according to the operation performed—a present of a shawl, golden cup or other similar valuable, the doctor must obtain special permission from the viceroy before he dare accept the present. If any officer accepts a gift of any value without such permission he may have to resign. This rule was made because, in the old days, when the East India company governed India, an officer's pickings and the presents, often extorted from the rajah, were worth much more to him than his salary.

In Various Mexican states the sombrero, that picturesque adjunct of the Mexican, is to be placed under a heavy tax, in hope, it is said, to abolish it entirely. It is said that this hat, often six feet wide from brim to brim, often costs so much that the average workman spends a year's wages for it. The tax takes the form of a license, with a number affixed, and there will be thus induced an aristocracy of the peon who wears the sombrero as compared with the peon who gives it up.

The island of Celebes, nearly half of which is still almost unknown, has now been connected by cable with the neighboring island of Borneo, and also with the American island of Guam, far to the north. It has thus been brought into close touch with the rest of the world, for it is joined to all parts of the eastern hemisphere through Borneo and to the western hemisphere through Guam and San Francisco.

A farmer living within the limits of Greater New York was almost asphyxiated recently because he blew out the gas when he found it necessary to stay all night in the city. It appears that New York continues to be rather provincial.

Steel rails are going down in price, but they will have to be put up in more convenient sizes and packages before the average man will feel constrained to take some home to the loved ones.

The General Demand

of the Well-Informed of the World has always been for a simple, pleasant and efficient liquid laxative remedy of known value; a laxative which physicians could sanction for family use because its component parts are known to them to be wholesome and truly beneficial in effect, acceptable to the system and gentle, yet prompt, in action.

In supplying that demand with its excellent combination of Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, the California Fig Syrup Co. proceeds along ethical lines and relies on the merits of the laxative for its remarkable success.

That is one of many reasons why Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna is given the preference by the Well-Informed. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine—manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all leading druggists. Price fifty cents per bottle.

A Necessity of Life.

The liquor men say that Americans every year spend less money for liquor than for chewing gum, proprietary medicines, candy, perfumes and hair oil. However, Americans simply must have hair oil.

A St. Patrick Rooster.

"My friend," said the irate customer to his poultryman in Washington market, "I didn't like that last chicken at all. Why, it had no lungs!" "Oh, that's all right; it was a St. Patrick rooster." "A St. Patrick rooster? What has that got to do with the case?" "Lord, man, don't you know that a St. Patrick rooster never crows? Therefore what does he want with lungs? Anything else wrong with him?" "Well, er—no. Otherwise he was a fine animal." "Good. But next time I'll throw in an extra pair of lungs."—New York Press.

Chance for Conversion.

In the ante-bellum days, when Anson P. Morrill of Maine was making his first run for congress, a henchman of his opponent met an old minister of that section slowly jogging along the road on his old horse and hailed him with: "Who are you going to vote for?" "Well," said the old man, "I thought I should give Anson a vote. Anson has good timber in him. I believe." "Oh, but I don't see how you can vote for him! Don't you know he's a Universalist? He doesn't believe in a hell." With a quiet twinkle in his eye the old man said: "We'll send him to Washington. When he has served his two years if he doesn't believe in a hell I shall be very much surprised."

SHE WAS BUSY, TOO!



She—And did my Duckums do a lot of work-work at the office last night? He—A—er—yes, dear; in fact, darling, I was so much occupied that I have never known time go as quickly as it did last night. She—Yes, dear, didn't it! (And Duckums wasn't out late again!)

BRAIN POWER

Increased by Proper Feeding.

A lady writer who not only has done good literary work, but reared a family, found in Grape-Nuts the ideal food for brain work and to develop healthy children. She writes:—

"I am an enthusiastic proclaimer of Grape-Nuts as a regular diet. I formerly had no appetite in the morning and for 8 years while nursing my four children, had insufficient nourishment for them.

"Unable to eat breakfast I felt faint later, and would go to the pantry and eat cold chops, sausage, cookies, doughnuts or anything I happened to find. Being a writer, at times my head felt heavy and my brain asleep.

"When I read of Grape-Nuts I began eating it every morning, also gave it to the children, including, my 10 months old baby, who soon grew as fat as a little pig, good natured and contented.

"Within a week I had plenty of breast milk, and felt stronger within two weeks. I wrote evenings and feeling the need of sustained brain power, began eating a small saucer of Grape-Nuts with milk instead of my usual indigestible hot pudding, pie, or cake for dessert at night.

"Grape-Nuts did wonders for me and I learned to like it. I did not mind my housework or mother's cares, for I felt strong and full of 'go.' I grew plump, nerves strong, and when I wrote my brain was active and clear; indeed, the dull head pain never returned."

"There's a Reason."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

KANSAS ITEMS

SUMMARY OF WEEK'S HAPPENINGS

Fire at Wichita Packing House.—Ten horses, a barn, several sets of harness and a quantity of feed were destroyed by fire at the Dold packing plant in Wichita. The value of the property destroyed is estimated at \$7,000. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

Kansas Farmer a S. Side.—George G. McDowell, a farmer living near Garnett, shot himself with a shotgun. He had been in poor health for some time and it is supposed that despondency caused him to end his life. He was about 40 years old and leaves a wife and three sons.

Sterling Boy With the Fleet.—Sterling also demands its share of notoriety in having a representative in Admiral Evans' fleet in its picturesque trip around the Horn. Walter Atkinson, son of Thomas Atkinson, cashier of the Citizen's State Bank of that city, is an electrician on the battleship Maine.

Home Rule to be Suspended.—A Junction City paper announces that it is informed by J. Ralph Burton, editor of the Home Rule, that that paper will be suspended and the subscription list will be added to that of the Salina Union. The Union will be a Democratic paper.

Killed Himself at 67 Years.—W. G. Griffin, aged 67 years, committed suicide at Galena by shooting himself in the head. The suicide stood before a mirror and took aim. Business worries and melancholy are given as the cause. Sealed letters were left explaining distribution of property interests. Previous to locating in Galena, in 1877, Griffin lived at Atchison and for many years freighted across the Kansas plains.

Dormitory of School Destroyed.—The dormitory of the Swedish Mission, or Walden college, at McPherson, was totally destroyed by fire. The fire was discovered in the attic, but on account of the distance from the fire hydrant the water was not turned on until the place was a mass of ruins. The entire contents of the upper floors were burned, but all the occupants escaped without injury. Insurance on the building was only \$6,500, with none on the contents.

For Betterment of Schools.—Gov. Hoch, upon selections made by E. T. Fairchild, state superintendent of public instruction, appointed the following educational commission for Kansas: J. W. Gleed, Topeka; Superintendent R. F. Knight, Wichita; Superintendent L. A. Lowther, Emporia; Superintendent W. D. Ross, Peabody; Principal W. S. Pate, Cherokee; County Superintendent A. J. Stanley, Lincoln. The commission was appointed at the request of the last meeting of the Kansas State Teachers' Association.

Governor Invited to White House.—Gov. Hoch has received a letter from the White House inviting him to attend a conference of the governors of the different states in Washington, May 13 to 15. The purpose of the conference is "The conservation of the natural resources of the country." The invitation extended to the governor by the president includes three other persons. The governor has not yet decided who will accompany him. Several applications were made before the invitation had been received. The meeting will be held in the "East Room" of the White House.

Two Batteries For Foreign Service.—The headquarters and batteries A and B, First battalion of the Fifth field artillery, have left Fort Leavenworth for foreign service. The company consisted of nine officers and 280 enlisted men under command of Captain J. E. Stephens. The soldiers left on a special train that is to get through in time to sail from San Francisco for Manila February 20.

Masons Elect State Officers.—At the session of the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kansas, held at Topeka, the selection of officers for the ensuing year resulted thus: Grand high priest, Augustus O. Wellman, Topeka; deputy grand high priest, Thomas G. Fitch, Wichita; grand king, Fred Washburn, Anthony; grand scribe, William H. Evans, Marion; grand treasurer, A. H. Connett, Great Bend; grand secretary, Albert K. Wilson, Topeka; grand captain of the host, Will C. Chaffee, Topeka; grand royal arch captain, Harry E. Best, Manhattan; grand marshal, William L. Maxwell, Paola; grand sentinel, Spencer P. Wade, Topeka.

Iola Murderer Guilty.—W. H. Crevelton, on trial for the murder of H. Wellington Stewart in Iola, on the night of December 8, 1907, was convicted of murder in the first degree by a jury. Stewart and Crevelton were partners in the restaurant business there and Crevelton, it is charged, was in love with Stewart's wife. Crevelton was arrested and confessed his guilt the night of the murder, but he later decided to stand trial with insanity as his defense. The jury considered the case only twenty minutes.

Baby Frightfully Burned.—The 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Grimes, who lives north of Woodston, received frightful injuries by falling backward into a bucket of hot water. The flesh from the middle of the back to the knees was nearly cooked. Small hopes are entertained for recovery.

Oil Inspector Reports.—State Oil Inspector L. T. Hussey has filed his report for the month of January with the state auditor. It shows that during the month 22,626 barrels of kerosene and 6,461 barrels of gasoline were inspected by the department. The total amount of fees for the month was \$2,920.15. The check turned over to the state treasurer was for \$2,271.92.

235 Men Laid Off.—A reduction of two hundred and thirty-five men on the force of the Santa Fe shops at Topeka was made recently. This number includes men from every department and class and has been made necessary, the officials say, on account of the great decrease in traffic on the system. Some of the men who were laid off will probably be reinstated within a short time. The reduction was made to reduce the expenses of the shops.

Kansas Missionary Dead in India.—News reached Newton of the death of Amos G. Horst of that city in Bengal, India. Mr. Horst, with his wife and two-year-old son, went to India as a missionary in October, 1905. An epidemic of smallpox invaded the band of workers to which they belonged and four of the missionaries, including Mr. Horst, died of the disease. The missionaries were compelled to burn their houses and much of their bed clothing in order to destroy the germs of the disease. Mrs. Horst and her young child are left without a home in a far away country and among a strange people.

Girl Burned to Death.—While Mrs. Steve Hicks, living on the Heath ranch northeast of Burns, was out of the house after an armful of wood little Grace, their 3-year-old child, is supposed to have been playing around the kitchen stove, as the grate was open and some burned paper was on the floor, and in doing so her clothing caught on fire, for upon the return of the mother the child was standing in the middle of the room with outstretched arms and enveloped in flames. Her clothing had burned entirely off, burning the flesh to a crisp from the knees up. After three and a half hours of agony, death ended her suffering.

Are Making Ready.—Nearly all of the officers have had their primary petitions printed and most of them are sending out the blank petitions to be circulated. The state officers are planning to circulate their petitions in at least 20 counties of the state instead of ten counties. The primary law provides that if the petitions are circulated in ten counties the number of signers must be at least 1 per cent of the total number of votes cast for secretary of state in the last election in the entire state. If the petitions are circulated in 20 counties it is necessary to secure 1 per cent of the total vote cast in those counties alone. If the petitions were circulated in ten counties it would be necessary to secure 1,636 signatures while it is possible to get a name on the primary ballot by circulating the petitions in 20 counties and securing a little more than 600 names.

Ida Tarbell to Speak at K. U.—Miss Ida Tarbell, one of the editors of the American Magazine, has promised to speak at the University of Kansas, at Lawrence, in April. Her address probably will be made in the Robison gymnasium.

Sues For Big Damages.—William Leeman of Leavenworth has filed suit in the district court for \$10,000 damages against J. E. Olvis for injuries alleged to have been sustained from being struck by Olvis' automobile.

Big Mortgage Filed at Wichita.—A \$500,000 mortgage given by the Kansas & Colorado Pacific Railway Company to the Guarantee Trust Company of New York, has been filed in Sedgewick county. The Kansas & Colorado Pacific includes the Fort Scott, Wichita & Western and the Missouri Pacific in Kansas. The mortgage runs 30 years and bears 6 per cent, payable semi-annually. It is dated February 1, 1908, and is styled a "refunding mortgage." It is the largest mortgage ever recorded in this county. The filing fee was \$240.50.

\$200 Reward for Murderer.—Gov. Hoch offered a reward of \$200 for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer of Herbert Jordan of Seneca.

New Hotel Opened.—Fully 5,000 people attended the formal opening of the new Santa Fe hotel, the "Bizarre," at Hutchinson. Many of the head officials of the Santa Fe road were present. The new building is the finest of the Fred Harvey system. It has 200 rooms and cost over \$250,000.

HER CHOICE OF DEMISE.

Pathetic Thought of Little Girl Who Had Lost Playmate.

Mary had for neighbor a small playmate, a much-loved and attractive boy. The little lad rushed across the street one day, throwing back a glance at his mother. At that instant a trolley car swept around the corner and the resulting tragedy threw the town into mourning. Each family wept as though its own son had been lost. Mary was utterly disconsolate and, little as she had previously known of death, realized in a childish way the added horror of this one. In her convulsive grief, and while her father and mother sat with sobs in their throats and tears overflowing, Mary straightened up and sobbed:

"Mother, when I die I hope it will be of a disease and not of a damage!"

ECZEMA FOR 55 YEARS.

Suffered Torments from Birth—In Frightful Condition—Got No Help Until Cuticura Cured Him.

"I had an itching, tormenting eczema ever since I came into the world, and I am now a man 55 years old. I tried all kinds of medicines I heard of, but found no relief. I was truly in a frightful condition. At last I broke out all over with red and white boils, which kept growing until they were as big as walnuts, causing great pain and misery, but I kept from scratching as well as I could. I was so run down that I could hardly do my work. I used Cuticura Soap, Ointment, Resolvent, and Pills for about eight months, and I can truthfully say I am cured. Hale Bordwell, Tipton, Ia., Aug. 17, 1907."

"I cheerfully endorse the above testimonial. It is the truth. I know Mr. Bordwell and know the condition he was in. Nelson R. Burnett, Tipton, Ia."

The Making of a Journalist.

Henry H. Ashton, a Virginia City capitalist, has in his library, richly bound in crushed Levant, those early volumes of the Virginia City Enterprise to which Mark Twain contributed.

The faded pages contain innumerable specimens of the famous writer's quaint humor. Mr. Ashton often points out the first paragraph that Mark Twain wrote on his arrival in Virginia City. The paragraph runs: "A thunderstorm made Beranger a poet, a mother's kiss made Benjamin West a painter and a salary of \$15 a week makes us a journalist."

John Muir's Simplicity.

Once, in a talk with E. H. Harriman, John Muir, author and ranchman, said that he was richer than Mr. Harriman. "I know what you mean," said Mr. Harriman, "but I won't admit it. Don't you think wealth is a good thing for a man?"

"Not great wealth—no. Your rich man renounces too much. I would rather lie down at night by an old spring I know up in the Sierras than to own the Waldorf-Astoria—that is, if I had to live in it."—Bookman.

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Ivy's Strength.

An ivy plant which established itself in a crevice of the tower of St. John the Baptist church at Yarborough, England, undermined the foundation and lifted stones out of place until it will cost \$3,000 to make repairs.

"Brown's Bronchial Troches" are helpful to singers, teachers and clergymen for clearing the voice. Contain nothing harmful.

It is the confiding nature of some women that makes them want to tell you their family troubles before you have known them ten minutes.

The surer a girl is about a man's being in love with her the less sure she is about being in love with him.

WHAT CAUSES HEADACHE. From October to May, Colds are the most frequent cause of Headache. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE removes cause. E. W. Grove on box 25c

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WOMAN'S BACKACHE



The back is the mainspring of woman's organism. It quickly calls attention to trouble by aching. It tells, with other symptoms, such as nervousness, headache, pains in the loins, weight in the lower part of the body, that a woman's feminine organism needs immediate attention.

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Mrs. Augustus Lyon, of East Earl, Pa., writes to Mrs. Pinkham:

"I had very severe backaches, and pressing-down pains. I could not sleep, and had no appetite. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cured me and made me feel like a new woman."

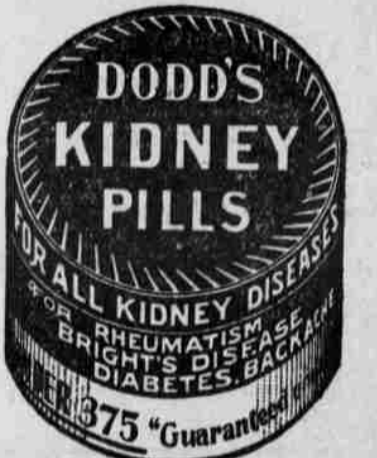
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A Nature Student.

The faculty with which the New York child grasps the "new idea" in matters educational is charmingly illustrated in a composition recently penned by a six-year-old. Her teacher had asked for brief compositions on "Animals I Have Seen." This is the result, written in the present day vertical penmanship:

"Do you see the little robin swinging on the tree? Do you see the little goldfish a-swimming in the bowl? Who taughted these two to fly so beautifully together? Who struck the feathers on their breasts? 'Twas God—'Twas God. He done it."



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